In the Claims:

- 1. (Cancelled) A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:
- a body; and
- a lip extending from said body;
- said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and
- a width of no more than about 2.6 millimeters (about 0.1 inch).
- 2. (Currently amended) The container of claim 31, further comprising polystyrene, polyethylene, or polypropylene.
- 3. (Currently amended) The container of claim 31, wherein said body comprises a sidewall and a base.
- 4. (Original) The container of claim 3, wherein said base comprises a plurality of apertures therein.
- 5. (Original) The container of claim 3, wherein said base comprises a plurality of support ribs thereon.
- 6. (Original) The container of claim 3, wherein said base comprises a plurality of spikes thereon.

- 7. (Currently amended) The container of claim 6, A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:
 - a body; and
 - a lip extending from said body,
 - said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and
 - a width of no more than about 2.6 millimeters (about 0.1 inch);
 - said body comprises a base with a plurality of spikes thereon; and
- wherein each of said plurality of spikes comprises a base surrounded by a plurality of blades.
- 8. (Currently amended) The container of claim 31, wherein said lip comprises a flange extending from said flat surface.
- 9. (Original) The container of claim 8, wherein said flange extends downwardly at an angle so as to form a pocket with said body.
- 10. (Original) The container of claim 9, wherein said pocket comprises an upper curved radius.
- The container of claim 1, further comprising a lid to be positioned 11. (Cancelled) within said body.

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- 12. (Previously presented) A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:
 - a body;
 - a lip extending from said body;
 - said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and
 - a width of no more than about 2.6 millimeters (about 0.1 inch); and
 - a lid to be positioned within said body;
 - wherein said lid comprises a concave shape.
- 13. (Currently amended) The container of claim 31 11, wherein said lid comprises a plurality of apertures therein.
- 14. (Previously presented) A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:
 - a body;
 - a lip extending from said body;
 - said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and
 - a width of no more than about 2.6 millimeters (about 0.1 inch); and
 - a lid to be positioned within said body;
 - wherein said body comprises one or more cuts therein for said lid.
- 15. (Currently amended) The container of claim 31, further comprising one or more layers of filter paper positioned within said body.
- 16. (Currently amended) The container of claim 31, further comprising a foil envelope for holding the ground coffee or the tealeaves.

- 17. (Previously presented) A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:
 - a base;

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- said base comprising a plurality of apertures therein;
- a circular sidewall extending from said base; and
- a lip extending from said sidewall;
- said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and
- a flange extending downwardly from said flat surface;
- said flange comprising a curved inner radius.
- 18. (Original) The container of claim 17, wherein said flange comprises a width of no more than about 2.6 millimeters (about 0.1 inch).
- 19. (Original) The container of claim 17, wherein said base comprises a plurality of spikes thereon.
 - 20-30. Withdrawn.
- 31. (Previously presented) A container for holding ground coffee or tealeaves, comprising:
 - a body;
 - a lip extending from said body;
 - said lip comprising a top substantially flat surface; and
 - a lid to be positioned within said body;
 - said lid comprising a concave shape;
 - wherein said body comprises one or more cuts therein for said lid.